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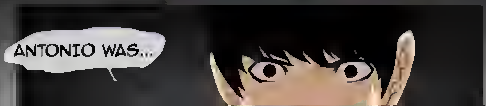
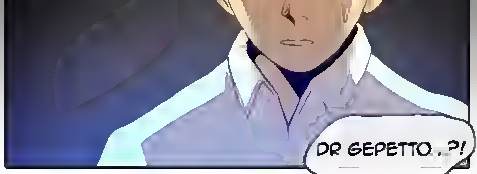
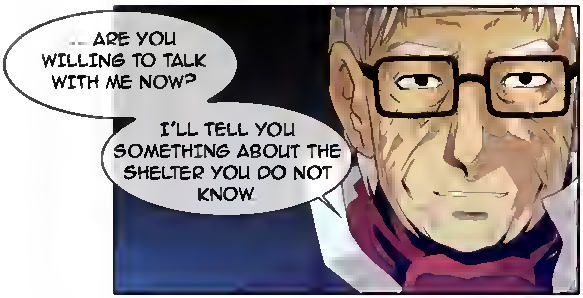



DR GEPETTO..?!


... ARE YOU WILLING TO TALK WITH ME NOW?
I'LL TELL YOU SOMETHING ABOUT THE SHELTER YOU DO NOT KNOW.

THE TRUTH... ABOUT THE SHELTER?

YES. THE REASON DR GEPETTO HAD THE SHELTER BUILT
BUT IN ORDER TO TALK ABOUT THAT, WE NEED TO FIRST TALK ABOUT HIM
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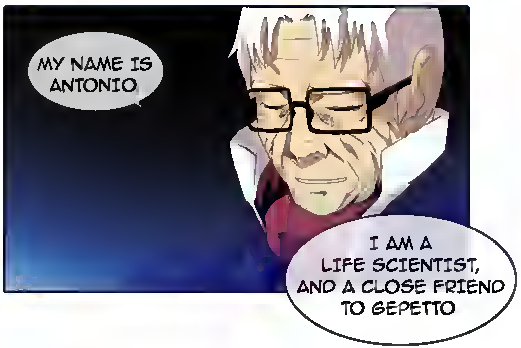
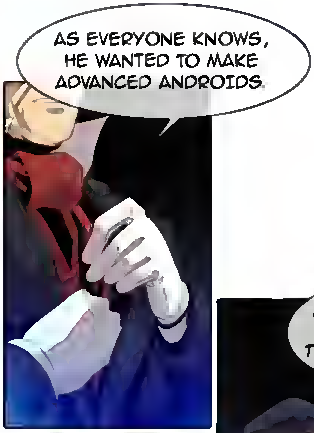
ARE YOU.. NOT DR GEPETTO, THEN?
YOU SPEAK OF GEPETTO LIKE HE'S NOT YOU.
I'VE NEVER SAID I WAS GEPETTO.

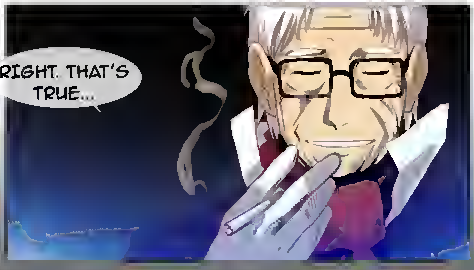

MY NAME IS ANTONIO
I AM A LIFE SCIENTIST, AND A CLOSE FRIEND TO GEPETTO

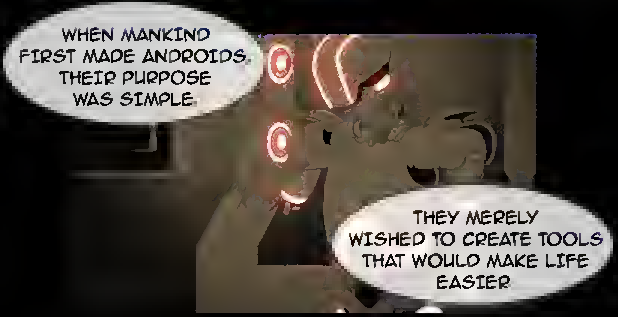
DR GEPETTO LIVED OVER A HUNDRED YEARS AGO.
IF YOU ARE REALLY FATHER'S FRIEND, HOW CAN YOU STILL BE ALIVE? AND WITH HIS EXACT FACE...!

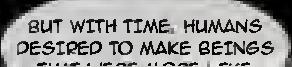
WE ALSO NEED TO TALK ABOUT GEPETTO TO ADDRESS THAT.
YOU CAN WAIT THAT LONG, CAN'T YOU?


AS EVERYONE KNOWS, HE WANTED TO MAKE ADVANCED ANDROIDS.

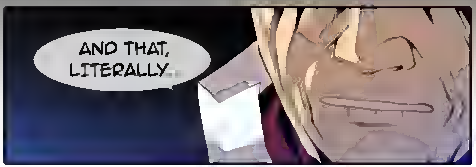
BUT HE WASN'T THE ONLY ONE THAT WANTED TO.

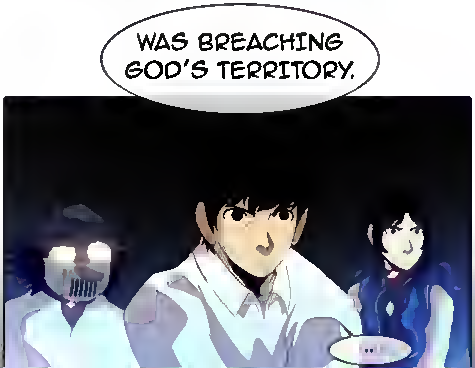

RIGHT. THAT'S TRUE...

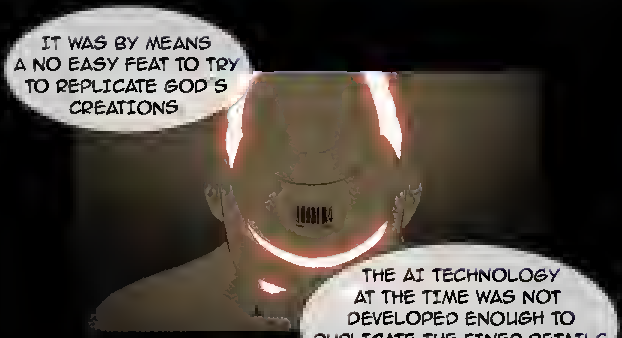

WHEN MANKIND FIRST MADE ANDROIDS, THEIR PURPOSE WAS SIMPLE.
THEY MERELY WISHED TO CREATE TOOLS THAT WOULD MAKE LIFE EASIER

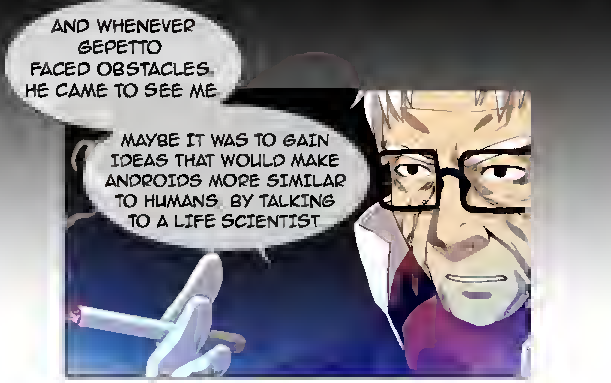

BUT WITH TIME, HUMANS DESIRED TO MAKE BEINGS

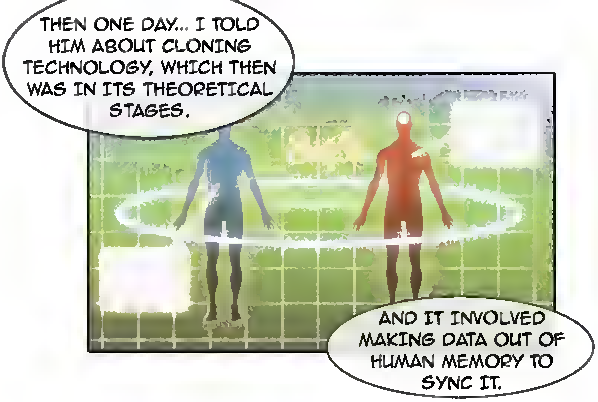
THAT WERE MORE LIKE THEM.

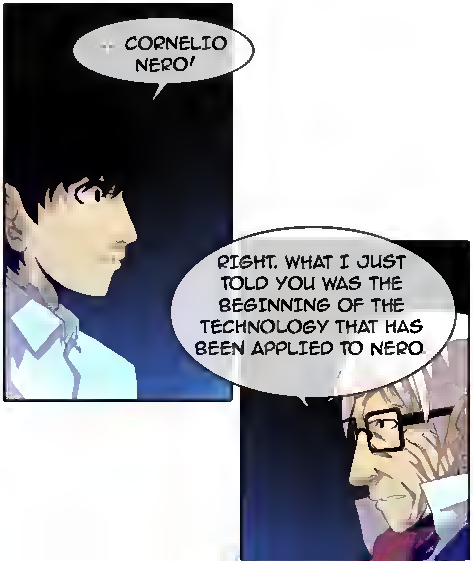




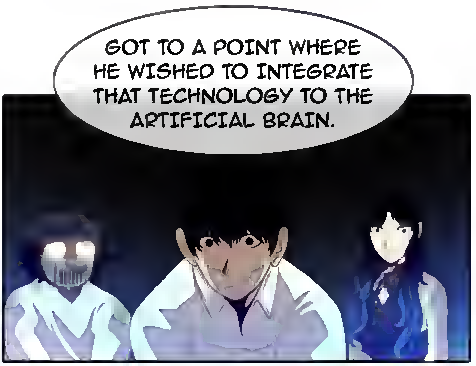

IT WAS BY MEANS A NO EASY FEAT TO TRY TO REPLICATE GOD'S CREATIONS
THE AI TECHNOLOGY AT THE TIME WAS NOT DEVELOPED ENOUGH TO DUPLICATE THE FINER DETAILS OF HUMAN BRAINS.

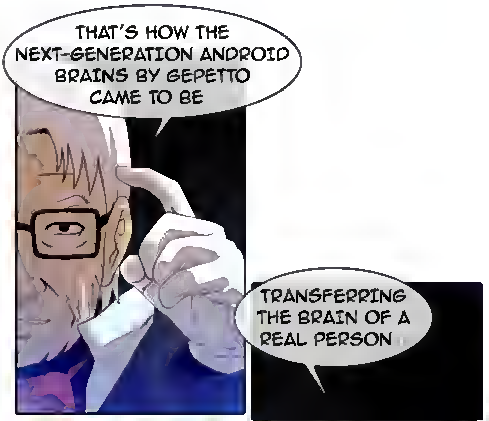

AND WHENEVER GEPETTO FACED OBSTACLES. HE CAME TO SEE ME.
MAYBE IT WAS TO GAIN IDEAS THAT WOULD MAKE ANDROIDS MORE SIMILAR TO HUMANS. BY TALKING TO A LIFE SCIENTIST.

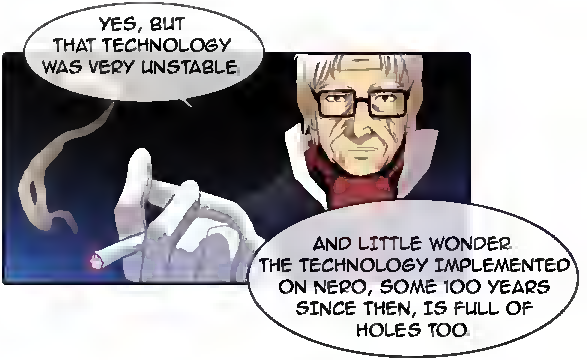

THEN ONE DAY... I TOLD HIM ABOUT CLONING TECHNOLOGY, WHICH THEN WAS IN ITS THEORETICAL STAGES.
AND IT INVOLVED MAKING DATA OUT OF HUMAN MEMORY TO SYNC IT.

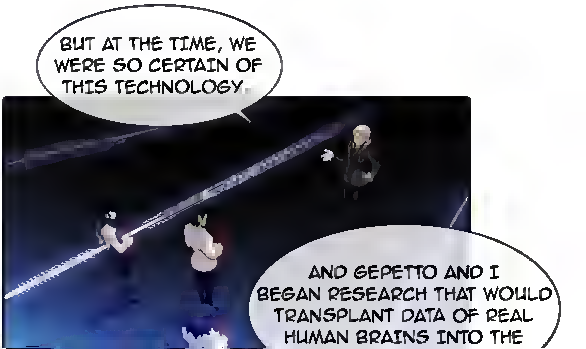

CORNELIO NERO!
RIGHT. WHAT I JUST TOLD YOU WAS THE BEGINNING OF THE TECHNOLOGY THAT HAS BEEN APPLIED TO NERO.

AND GEPETTO EVENTUALLY..


GOT TO A POINT WHERE HE WISHED TO INTEGRATE THAT TECHNOLOGY TO THE ARTIFICIAL BRAIN.


THAT'S HOW THE NEXT-GENERATION ANDROID BRAINS BY GEPETTO CAME TO BE
TRANSFERRING THE BRAIN OF A REAL PERSON


YES, BUT THAT TECHNOLOGY WAS VERY UNSTABLE.
AND LITTLE WONDER THE TECHNOLOGY IMPLEMENTED ON NERO, SOME 100 YEARS SINCE THEN, IS FULL OF HOLES TOO.


BUT AT THE TIME, WE WERE SO CERTAIN OF THIS TECHNOLOGY.
AND GEPETTO AND I BEGAN RESEARCH THAT WOULD TRANSPLANT DATA OF REAL HUMAN BRAINS INTO THE

ARTIFICIAL BRAIN

BUT THERE WAS A PROBLEM, WHEN WE GOT TO THE STAGE WHERE WE COULD CARRY OUT THE TRANSFER.

THERE WAS NO ONE WHO WOULD VOLUNTEER FOR SUCH A COVERT AND DANGEROUS EXPERIMENT.

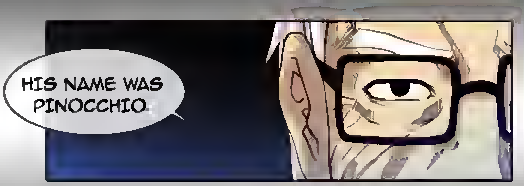
AND IT WASN'T AS IF WE COULD RECRUIT VOLUNTEERS, GIVEN THE NATURE OF THE STUDY.

BUT THEN...

SOMEONE CAME FORWARD TO SAY THEY

WOULD DO IT

YOU.. REALLY WILL?
BE A SUBJECT TO THIS TEST?


HIS NAME WAS PINOCCHIO.

YES, FATHER.
DR GEPETTO'S SON.
WHAT...?!

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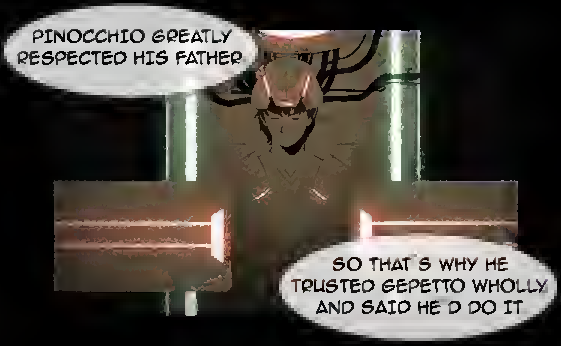

PINOCCHIO GREATLY RESPECTED HIS FATHER
SO THAT'S WHY HE TRUSTED GEPETTO WHOLLY AND SAID HE'D DO IT

THE EXPERIMENT HAD TO SUCCEED

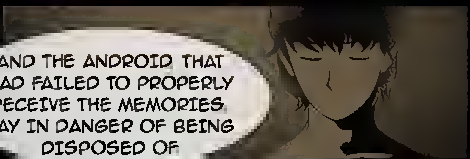
AND WE HAD FAITH THAT WE COULD.
BUT IT TOOK VERY LITTLE TIME FOR US...
CRUMPLE
TO FIND OUT HOW ARROGANT WE'D BEEN.
.....

HUMAN PINOCCHIO S MEMORIES WERE TOTALLY WIPED

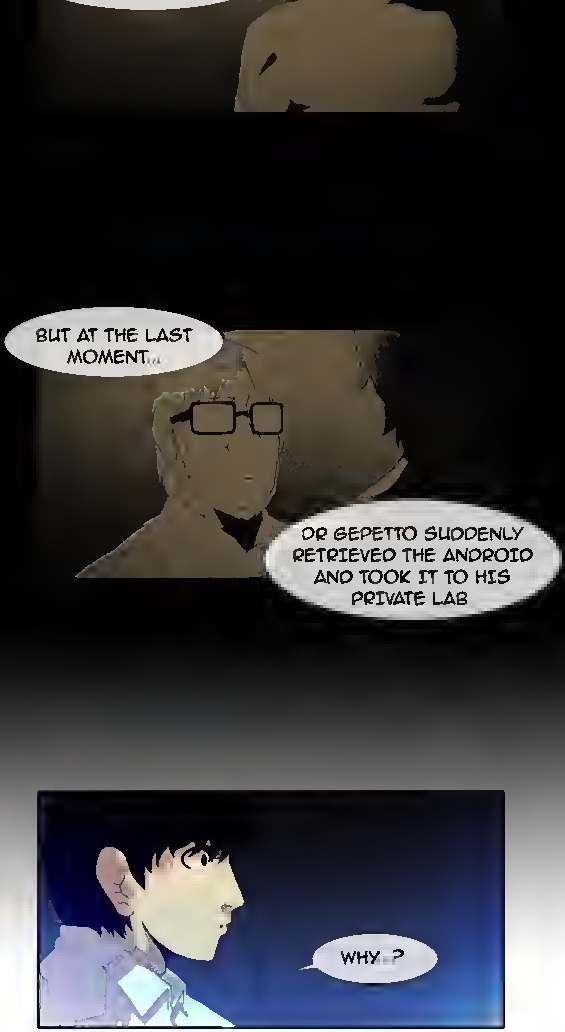
AND THE ARTIFICIAL BRAIN HAD NO RECOLLECTION OF THE LIFE BEFORE THE TRANSPLANT

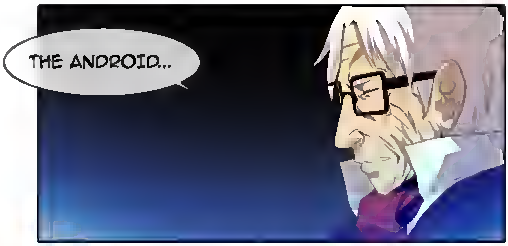
GEPETTO DESPAIRED

HE HAD BASICALLY REDUCED HIS ONLY SON TO A SHELL OF A HUMAN

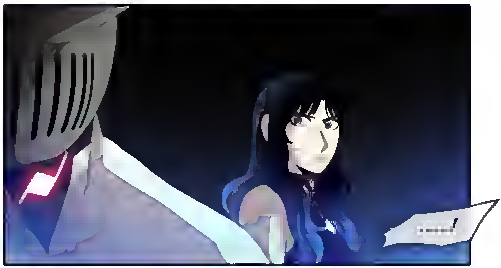


AND THE ANDROID THAT HAD FAILED TO PROPERLY RECEIVE THE MEMORIES LAY IN DANGER OF BEING DISPOSED OF


BUT AT THE LAST MOMENT...
OR GEPETTO SUDDENLY RETRIEVED THE ANDROID AND TOOK IT TO HIS PRIVATE LAB
WHY...?



HAD LIED.



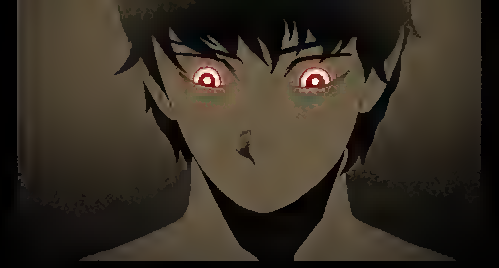
PINOCCHIO..
DO YOU REALLY
NOT KNOW ME?
ARE YOU NO
LONGER IN THERE..?

MY GREED IS TO
BE BLAME FOR THIS...!!

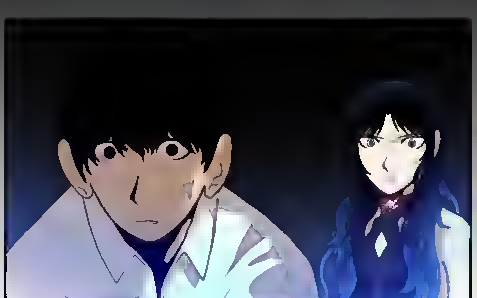
.....
PLEASE TELL ME!
I KNOW YOU HEAR ME! ANSWER ME!
I KNOW YOU MUST BE IN THERE, INSIDE THE ARTIFICIAL BRAIN, SOMEWHERE!

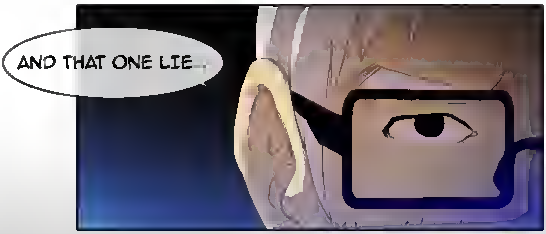
THERE'S NO WAY WE FAILED!
THE THEORY WAS PERFECT!!

... YES.
YOU'RE RIGHT.
YOU DID NOT FAIL.



FATHER.





CHANGED EVERYTHING.

GEPETTO